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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application with the following list of claims:

(Currently Amended) A composition, comprising:

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Appending A a ladder polymer or ladder oligomer, said ladder polymer or oligomer comprising an iptycene, wherein the ladder polymer or oligomer is a polymer or oligomer having a backbone that can only be severed by breaking at least two bonds.

- (Original) A composition comprising an iptycene, having a molecular weight in excess of 2. 2000 daltons, comprising a shape persistent molecule containing bridgehead atoms, with molecular structures radiating from the bridgehead atoms in three directions and extending outwardly therefrom such that each defines a van der Waals contact of furthest point from the bridgehead atoms of no less than 3.5 Å, the composition having a dielectric constant of less than 3.0.
- (Original) A composition as in claim 2, comprising a linear polymer comprising an 3. iptycene.
- (Original) A composition as in claim 2, arranged as a dielectric material in an electronic 4. component.
- (Original) A composition as in claim 2, wherein the molecular structures that radiate from 5. the bridgehead atoms extend outwardly therefrom such that each defines a van der Waals contact of furthest point from the bridgehead atoms of no less than 4.0 Å.
- (Original) A composition as in claim 2, wherein the molecular structures that radiate from 6. the bridgehead atoms extend outwardly therefrom such that each defines a van der Waals contact of furthest point from the bridgehead atoms of no less than 4.5 Å.